

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY SUBSTANCE USE
AND ADDICTION COMMISSION
MONTHLY MEETING
November 3, 2022 5:00 PM**

ATTENDANCE:

1. The following members were present:

Ms. Kathleen Gomes
Mr. (Rev) William Eberle
Mr. Joshua Torbich
Ms. Jennifer Lucas
Ms. Renee Cooper
Ms. Joslyn Ott (on Zoom)
Ms. Leah McGhee

2. Members absent:

Mr. William (Joe) Murphy
Mr. Jonathan Oliver
Ms. Catherine Cooke

3. Health Services staff present

Mr. Travis Greer, Health Educator

4. Guests present

Ms. Teresa Mobley, Coastal Horizons Center (on Zoom)
Ms. Dena Hamilton, Trillium Community Liaison (on Zoom)
Ms. Monica Mullaney, Families Anonymous
Students from West Brunswick HS HOSA class

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Brunswick County Substance Use and Addiction Commission was called to order by Mr. Torbich 5:05 PM and on Zoom and in person at the Brunswick Health Services Board Room

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REGULARLY OCCURRING ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes: October 2022 (Eberle/Lucas)

B. Agenda Adjustments: None

C. Review of Monthly Data: Mr. Greer presented a packet to of reports from NC Detect and the Dashboard which indicated a slight rise in week ending 10/22/2022. Data shows 10 overdose cases for October 2022 from the emergency room, with no deaths. Mr. Greer presented sheriff's department data which showed 12 overdoses, 7 reversals and 0 deaths. New information is the State Data now tracking Fentanyl toxicology data stating 239 deaths in Jan to July 239 versus 287 in January to July 2021

a. Brunswick County Sheriff's Office Reports (above)

PRESENTATIONS: Ms. Mullaney with Families Anonymous shared some of her personal story and talked about the Families Anonymous program and different aspects of the program (12-step). She talked about raising community awareness and advised FA meeting every Wednesday at 5:30pm and Brunswick Senior Center in Supply with a Zoom option for those cannot attend in person. Ms. Mullaney provided brochures and directed folks to the website <https://familiesanonymous.org/> for more information.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Detox Sub-Group (Joshua Torbich, lead)** Mr. Torbich shared that there still is a search for a location and that funds can be used to develop a 23-hour crisis center and detox. Locations are being sought. Mr. Torbich discussed the opening of the Healing Place in February.
- B. Awareness Drama.** A script has been completed and the presentation is planned for September 2023 to coordinate with the October Awareness Campaign in the schools. Mr. Torbich mentioned that the folks at Brunswick Little Theater are in the process of casting the roles for the drama at this time.
- C. Outreach Sub- Group Encompass Program (Bill Eberle, lead)** Mr. Eberle presented progress made with the Encompass program. Mr. Eberle discussed future locations to host Encompass Training. Mr. Torbich volunteered space at the Rose House in the board room. Ms. Cooper to coordinate efforts with CRCI staff to set a date at the end of January. Mr. Eberle discussed speaking with different organizations including civic clubs, women's clubs and Families Anonymous to promote Encompass training and distribute Encompass information brochures.
- D. Substance Use Prevention Month Education Campaign Evaluation** Ms. Lucas presented all the work she has accomplished with the October campaign in the schools which includes weekly programming which includes videos released on the websites beginning this week, a Red Ribbon Campaign (art contest where schools will decorate according to the prevention theme) and talks at each school through the month. Each week had a particular theme on the website targeted on delaying onset of use, knowing your family history, and 12 things parents can do prevent substance use. Ms. Lucas provided visual statistics of the different school's participation in each week. Mr. Greer spoke of the success of medication disposal stating 15,000 narcotic medications were properly disposed of as well as 2-3 liters of liquid narcotics. The topic of discussion for next year to

promote Substance Use Prevention week included weekly posting on social media and press releases.

- E. Quarterly Report for BOC** Presentation was done on September 19th County Commissioners meeting, with high praise from the commission for the work being accomplished. An article covering the activities was in the October 4th Brunswick Beacon.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Eberle spoke of Injury and Violence Prevention Branch Data Support Booking App. The Injury and Violence Prevention Branch Surveillance Unit maintains statewide injury and violence related surveillance by providing emergency department, hospital discharge, mortality, and survey data to monitor the incidence of and risk factors for fatal and nonfatal injury. The work of the branch includes collecting and analyzing injury data to better understand the problem, implementing programs to prevent injury and violence, coordinate and assist groups working to prevent injury and violence to address the problem comprehensively. Mr. Tobich mentioned custom data requests pertaining to alcohol related incidents data.

COMMISSION INPUT: No report

ADJOURNMENT: Move to adjourn (McGhee/Eberle). There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45PM

The next Brunswick County Substance Use and Addiction Commission meeting will be held on **December 1, 2022 at 5 PM**, at the Brunswick County Health Department

COMMISSION INPUTS: None reported

 _____ Chairperson

 _____ Secretary

Attendance Roster 2022-2023

NAME	JUL Y	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NO V	DEC	JAN	FEB	MA R	APR	MA Y	JUN 23
Cooke				X								TERM EXPIRES
Eberle	X	X	X	X	X							
Gomes	X	X	X	X	X							
Ott			X	X	X							
Oliver	X											
Torbich	X		X	X	X							
Lucas		X		X	X							TERM EXPIRES
McGhee		X	X	X	X							
Murphy												
Lambert												
Cooper	X	X		X	X							

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X-sub= sent representative

Blocked (No Meetings due to Pandemic)

Attendance Roster 2021-2022

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Oliver									X			X
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Attendance Roster 2018-2019

NAME	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Bass	X	*	X	X	X		x	x
Cooke	X	*	X			X	x	x
Eberle	X	*	X	X	X	X	x	x
Gomes	X	*	X	X	X	X	x	x
Gushue	X	*		X		X		x
Hickman	X	*	X	X	X	X		x
Lanier	X	*	X	X	X		x	
Torbich	X	*	X	X-sub	X	X	x	x
Willis	X	*	X-sub	X	X-sub	X-sub	O	O

Oliver			X	X	X		X		X		X	X TERM ENDING
Torbich	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cheatham	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	O TERM ENDING
Lucas		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
McGhee		X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Murphy				X		X	X	X			X	

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Attendance Roster 2020-2021

NAME	JUL Y	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NO V	DEC	JAN	FEB	MA R	APR	MA Y	JUN
Cooke	X			X	X	O	O	on		X	X	X
Eberle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gomes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gushue					X	X						
Hickman	X	X	X		X							
Oliver			X		X	X			X	X		X
Torbich	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
Strickland			X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Cheatham	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	
Riley		X				O						
Lucas									X	X	X	X

Attendance Roster 2019-2020

NAME	JUL Y	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NO V	DEC	JAN	FEB	MA R	APR	MA Y	JUN
Cooke	*	X	X	X	X	*	X					
Eberle	*		X			*	X		X			X
Gomes	*	X	X	X	X	*	X		X			X
Gushue	*			X	X	*	X		X			
Hickman	*				X	*	X		X			X
Lanier	*	X		X	X	*	X		O			O
Torbich	*	X	X	X	X	*	X		X			X
Strickland	*		X	X	X	*	X		X			X
Cheatham	*		X	X	X	*	X		X			X
Riley	*		X			*						